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### NTRY PREACHERS.

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WHERE ARE THE Twenty-six days ago we Virginia Democrats held a primary. Knowing that many of the country precincts week for definite and official news of the result. Naturally, then, we began ation of public institutions. This it developed that defects in the pri- nomical ordering of the public busibe misdirected.

Thereupon, as our readers will remember, the candidates agreed that substituted for eighteen different Secretary Brenaman should open the returns in the presence of witnesses, their large expense accounts and disand should ascertain what precincts tinct methods of management. were missing. The result of this examination, as reported in yesterday's Times-Dispatch, showed that the bal- and cared for 20,357 people. By taking lots of forty-six precincts in twentythree counties and one city had not been forwarded to the State commit-

Where are they? This is the question thousands of Virginia voters are asking. If they have not been sent to tains the best prices and secures a reading by all friends the county chairmen, and by them forwarded to State headquarters, and if to Secretary Brenaman, in whose safe custody have they reposed these twenty-five days?

We think this question is being asked in candor and honesty and without the slightest suspicion on the part of any one that these missing returns have been withheld for improper reasons. No charge of any misconduct onths, that like study of is alleged, or, we take it, even sugfor an explanation, both as to the reason for the delay and as to the

onghold of the church. At will -be forthcoming. Virginia Deal centre, its chief educa- mocracy, to merit the support of the ution and the fortress of people, must not only be honest, but thened and virile, it will cavil and sullenly criticize any room into the church universal; for objection. Every judge of every t will weaken the cause of missing precinct owes it to himself not less than to the public to account son which has been given for the safety and accuracy of the reck of ministers in the coun- turns that have not reached the com-

ss country, discomforts un- the State a good primary law if it is enjoying an excellent sale.

A very good friend of The Times-Dispatch writes to remind us that Mrs. Susan Weiss, the friend of Edgar of the Dover Association Allan Poe, is still in our midst, and venerable Deep Run Church that as long as she lives Richmond fitly admired. But to the workaday s-news that will bring re- has at least one resident who knew in very man who honors ancient the fulness of his genius America's

woman has not left us-rejoiced not bustling multitude whom he would and with it is bound up much of only because she knew Poe and had have served passed by. adition of this great faith. Surely his lasting regard, but rejoiced benow to the esteem of all Virginia.

ng, we hesitate to suggest to very year when the great Marshall among the Few of All Times. died, she lived in an atmosphere permanhood in that era when the imaginwho have been crying minds of the State. At the most im- unknown instruments. for at the examinations set pressionable age, when she herself was writing verse of high order, she was touched by the magic of Edgar Allan The differences between the West gave of that refinement inherited from battle should be played have become so long generations of high-born Vir- acute that the abandonment of the con-

career and deprived her of that high of War Breckinridge have already held distinction in letters to which her a conference in an endeavor to comuld each examination rare abilities entitled her. But she pose the difficulty. The controversy is gave to the Southern cause the full mainly due to the abandonment of devotion of her ardent heart, and paid in long imprisonment as a spy for her loyalty to her country.

Since the war, her lines have fallen in pleasant places, and her friends to be canceled. The matter of location have ministered to her declining years ought, to be easily solved. Why not ting up. The questions with the admiration due her worth, bring the struggle to Richmond? Sureeasonable and practical. Retired now and past the normal span bring the struggle to Richmond? Sure-

ings. Mrs. Weiss, and in wishing you here each year; such a contest would Riement among those to whom the long life, trusts that a grateful peo- attract as large attendance as anyeclmen questions are sent, but if any ple proved of Poe, will ever remem- where else. The elevens and their supber one who befriended and inspired porters would receive here a measure

Senator Poindexter, of Washington, There is every reason why the Army amed from the opinions given by says of a newspaper article assailing rts, because we do not recall ever him that "it is in the came class as an examination that was murder by the robber syndicate of gram. questions are made Alaska, kidnapping and assassination are made too gen- with dynamite and pistol by the franre "catch" questions chise grabber of San Francisco and are glittering generalities, the the bribery of judges and packing of must be judged more juries in the State of Washington." arbitrarily. This fault, by the Just wait, though, until that newspaper

general question John D. Rockefeller wept when he uses of the American Revo- addressed an assemblage of deaf-mutes owed by a question as to last week. It was the first time in his ommanders, the life that he had seen together so many of a number of people who had never said anything against Standard Oil

> nation to his pupils It is said that a man can neither swear know who passes nor make love in Esperanto. What's the the examination. | use of the universal language?

OHIO'S STATE BOARD OF ADMINIS-TRATION.

The recent report of the Ohio State Board of Administration demonstrates were remote, we patiently waited a business methods in the management of the public finance and in the operto wonder why the State Demogratic board has control of eighteen State Committee had not been called to open institutions with more than 20,000 inthe returns and to declare the party mates, and expends more than \$4 .nominees. Another week went by, and 000,000 annually. Through its ecomary law had led to confusion and ness intrusted to it, it has achieved had probably caused some returns to a large financial saving to the State,

During the past six months of the fiscal year, the board spent \$2.053,631.17 the trade discounts on all supplies purchased, the board saved the State more than \$12,000 during the year. It has partment, which secures supplies in large quantities, so that the State obthose business advantages which the

Much has also been accomplished by this body in the working of prisonstitutions raised on State land vege-tables that had a market value of tracked five times to allow freight \$20,958. At the Toledo Hospital, sugar beets worth \$1,318 were raised. Milk worth \$26,875 was produced, and more slaughtered for the use of the inmates It is the desire of the board to bring the production of the combined farms where it will practically meet the de-

This State Board of Administration was created mainly by the efforts of completed its organization, and now is

short life ending in 1907. Among those, of course, who know the poet from the charlatan, his verse has always been highly regarded and his genius world, who read poetry by compulsion, the magic of his verse made no appeal, England's poets might weep, in short We are rejoiced that this venerable as they laid him away; the great

Yet every admirer of Thompson was cause she won for herself a place in an evangel, spreading his fame and American literature which entitles her glorifying his art. Men to whom he was but a name read "The Hound of What an interesting life she has Heaven," and reading that, devoured led and among what inspiring scenes his every word. Slowly the circle of she has tolled! Born in the days when his influence has broadened, slowly Nat Turner's insurrection was still his subtle art became known, slowly acation almost over and school fresh in every one's mind and in the his memory was exalted to a place

We expect to see his fame increase vaded with the glory and the chivalry until the world shall learn that the hich promises relief to them, of the old order. She came to wo- tall and silent man who loved the children of Alice Meynell was one of Engation of the South was finding an out- land's greatest bards. Immortality is let in song and verse-when the Lit- his due, eternal fame his just reward, responsible for this, spurred erary Messenger was flourishing and for beside him at his best the vaunted friends of the applicants for the Richmond Enquirer molded the Victorians seem as children playing

### WHY NOT IN RICHMOND?

test is threatened. Secretary of the The coming of the war changed her Navy Daniels and Assistant Secretary Franklin Field, in Philadelphia, as the tattlefield. The "Army" wishes the game to have "the aspect of a truly national event."

m more designed to of life, she can view the twilight in can advance no arguments against such a disposition. Richmond ought to have The Times-Dispatch sends you greet- at least one football game of first rank of genuine welcome and hospitality that could not be excelled elsewhere. should meet the Navy in Richmond; there is no reason against such a pro-

> Vice-President Marshall was booked yesterday to exhort at an "old-fashioned revival meeting" at Glen Falls, Va. but we have not been informed of the number he brought to the "anxious

> Well, whether you like it or not, you must look to-day upon "September

There are 17,000 bachelors and old maids in the United States, but there are none in the Old Dominion

Jerome has re-entered the Thaw case

lie seems to be in for life.

## ON THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT

By ROY K. MOULTON.

. The Diary of a Bonehead.
After riding the last fifty-nine miles with a thing gentleman's elbow crowded into my car and a stout lady's parasol jabbed between two of my most import ant ribs, my new straw hat jamm down over my ears, one foot in a lunch basket and a youngster on each knee, packed in so tightly that we couldn't while the prospect is that it will save still more in the future. It has been day excursion to the festive papier mathe and stucco summer resort was not

for me and mine, ever again.

With an ear full of cinders and a heart full of woe, I sit me down to swear by my faithful diary, that any person or persons who by intent or nalice aforethought endeavors to tice me on a Sunday railroad outing will be shot on the spot and the remains shipped to the nearest crematory.

Our gay little party started at 5 o'clock in the morning, with enough optimism to supply the government Weather Bureau for seven years and enough food to last the Bulgarian army through an entire siege of Constanti-nople. The optimism lasted about half an hour, and the food gave out before nople.

There were seven adults and thirteen There were seven nautrs and children, seven lunch baskets, twelve umbrellas, five baby cabs, seven thermos bottles, five hot water bags and a small charcoal stove to cook the coffee and the confee the seven like and the small charcoal stove to cook the coffee the seven like and the small state of the seven like and the small state of the seven like and I carried three children, the small charcoal stove, two lunch baskets and

After a painful journey in a coach trains to go by, we got to our desti-nation, a typical resort, where people do everything but resort.

We began paying for things as soon as we got off from the train, and didn't see any of the scenery. All that we were open palms stretched out good. Transient picnic parties like ours were obliged to camp out it the picnic grounds, which were out on the lee side of a tannery with a strong stramer resort wind coming from the other side of the tannery. There i only one thing more persistently chummy on a hot day than a tannery, and that is a fertilizer factory. We were told that there was no fertilizer factory this resort, but that there was on at the next resort down the lake, if we cared to try that one next time.

Five of the children fell in the river one at a time. Children never fall in all at once. They draw the agony out as long as possible. The first one fell

vow. Never again.

Opportunities for Burbank. No other name To Burbank's rame Could ever hold a candle If that wise gent Would but invent

A melon with a handle. And, ah, his worth Would know no dearth, But stay forever vernal,

If he could make cob and shake It free from every kernel His fame, I'm sure, Would be secure

If he were only growing A rooster smart That wouldn't start At 3 A. M. a-crowing. He'd be the rage

From age to age, Through decades without number, Don't you think so. If he could grow A painless green cuumber?

## Voice of the People

Literature and Immorality. Poe's personality. With him she wrote, from him she learned, to him she question where their annual gridiron literary topics, but think the latter

# FLIES!

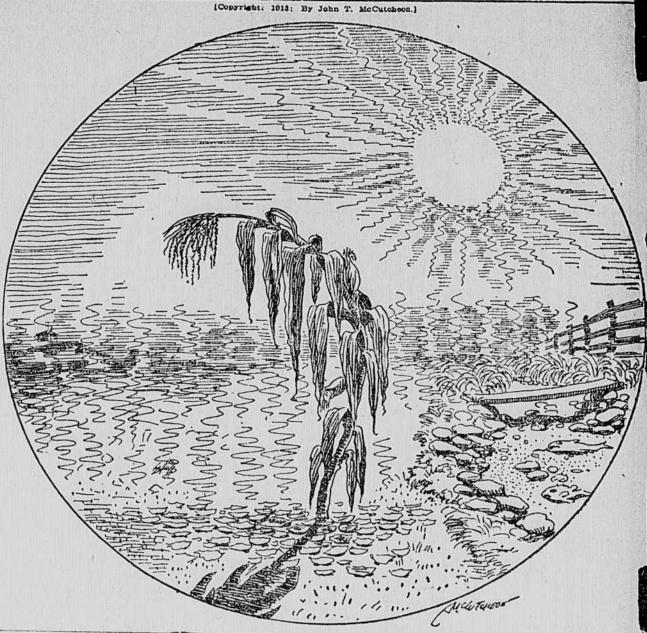
Horse manure is the principal hatching place for flies. It can be made sterile with conf oil, earbelie neld, copperas water or dry loam by mixing thoroughly. Horsemen, stablemen, owners o horses and sanitary inspectors, pay attention! Cut this out.

Let 1913 be a flyless year-



nothin' that makes a name President mad as a open muffler. President

SEPTEMBER CORN. By John T. McCutcheon.



ent names four or five men who, in upon his opinion. I should have included in whose men, writers of history, biography, poetry, philosophy, most of whom could not have made a speech, and never did. like Edward Everett and Dancrary fame is as lasting as the lantrancing speakers and fearless patriots, but they were in no sense literary men. According to his biographers, Henry's education was limited and and women who have deeply interested and instructed their generation. Should it be found, however, that his force is not sufficient to carry out the provisions of the ordinance, if produced—unless you except Henry Clay. His attainments as an English classical scholar, if he had any, were superficial. He was a product of the primitive woods of Virginia, a rough and ready lawyer, of a newly-settled country, and for this very reason the immortal speech he launched in the manry of that day both astounding and impressive. It seemed as the voice of impressive. It seemed as the voice of God speaking sentiments unexpected To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,—I hope you will not conclude I from such a man. Every word sank deep in the hearts of his hearers and deep in the hearts of his hearers and deep in the hearts of his hearers and deep in the hearts of his hearers. ly granted to occasional writers to fill stirred their very lifeblood. But have altotted space in your paper. I have been a newspaper writer off and on ing effect of that speech was due to

are of little interest to the majority of newspaper readers. The almighty dollar, how to get it, how to invest others as a giant in debate, while he was all that, he did not have the equipment for a literary man-education, scholarship-a large range of learning. gleaned from fields afar. His early life was a struggle for bread, being the youngest of seven children left by a Baptist preacher to the care of his widow. All the education he received was the merest rudiments in a small school in Hanover County, Virginia, and what he picked up in a law office. "Knowledge to his eyes her ample

page. Rich with the spoils of time, did ne'er unroll.

And yet all the Presidents of the United States, with the exception of three or four, must yield in influence to Henry Clay so far as concerns directing the policy and shaping the in-stitutions of this country.

But, as stated, I was not in my first article discussing orators and debaters, large or small, but the predominance great writers in every department literature in the New England States. Your correspondent is unfor-States. Four correspondent is unfor-tunate and inconsistent in trying to belittle the fame of Henry Ward Beecher on account of immorality, as charged, but not proved, in the damage suit of Tilton vs. Beecher, Many believed him guilty, but many did not. The jury was divided. It is easy to charge an offense, but another thing to prove it. Mr. Beecher's great intellectual ability was never doubted and never can be. His name was one of the first to be emblazoned in the Hall of Fame at New York. But Mr. Mar-shall contends that "infamy" is the basis of Beecher's fame, while at the same time he names two men worthy of all praise, as he thinks, on account of their ability, one an orator, the other a poet, both of whom were no-torious drunkards all their lives—Tom Marshall, of Kentucky, and Edgar Allan Poe. "Thomas F. Marshall was

for the safety and accuracy of the returns that have not reached the committee.

We trust too, that this incident will convince all that the next General Assembly must strengthen the primary strengthen the primary system, the champions of the people's right to vote are prepared for the State a good primary law if it is to take a good primary law if it is to take a good primary law if it is to take a good primary law if it is to take a good primary law if it is to take a good primary law if it is to take a good primary law if it is to take a good primary law if it is to take a good primary law if it is to take a good primary law if it is to take a good primary law if it is to take a good primary law if it is to have any.

MRS. WEISS.

It do not believe in relieving the first one fell in, has keener interest for the mablic as joing as possible. The first one fell is a spossible. The good is a spossible. The first one fell is a spossible. The first one fell is a spossible. The mall is a lost without fame. His name has at last been placed in the Hall of Pame. In your paper of the 25th inst. Rob. In the next General two papers of the 25th inst. Rob. In the first one fell in the fall of the inhabitants of the city from any strengthen the papers of the 25th inst. Rob. In the first one fell in the fall of the inhabitant of the city from any strengthen the literary world as a star light has been constantly in-

on the Floss," which impressed deeply in the world, considers an improvement, the cultivated minds of England and The New York ordinance appears America, depends for her fame upon work satisfactorily there, and there famous America, depends for her fame upon the immoral life she led as the mis. no reason why it should not do like great tress of G. H. Lewes? Has her diswriters, and contributed much to American literature, but Patrick Henry and Henry Clay were not literary men. They were and are celebrities in American history, as powerful and contributed much to American history, as powerful and contributed much to a contributed much to American literature, but Patrick Henry star? She made an association which sufficient force to carry out the proposed engineers of the proposed engineers.

defective, and it has often been a matter of surprise that his speeches read so smoothly both as to grammar and rhotoric. But he was a natural-born orator, the greatest this country has produced—unless you except Henry Clay. His attainments as an English

from virtue will in nine cases out of ten hopelessly fall. And is it not won-drous strange that so many of those great intellects in the republic of letters, like Carlyle and George Eliot, who are justly regarded as the greatest ornaments of modern litera should have drifted away from

who are justly regarded as the greatest ornaments of modern literature, should have drifted away from the Rock which has resisted the storms and tempests of nearly two thousand years? JAMES C. RENSHAW.

Charlottesville.

Commends Umlanf Ordinance.

To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.—When the Umlanf ordinance for a cleaner Richmond came up for passage at the last meeting of the Common Council, various objections were made, and as a consequence, it was laid over until the next meeting. The chief objections made were, first, that the receptacles required by the proposed ordinance would be so costly as to prove a burden to, the poorer citizens; and, secondly, that the force of the Street Cleaning Department is too small to carry out its provisions. Some attempt was also made to ridicule certain provisions of the proposed ordinance on the ground that they are impracticable.

In view of these objections, and in view of the fact thex all of the provisions are now being proceed in other

In view of these objections, and in sum tow view of the fact that all of the provisions are now being proceed in other cities, a copy of the proposed ordi-nance was submitted to the Commissioner of Street Cleaning of New York City by the Society for the Bettermen of Housing and Living Conditions in Richmond, with the request that he examine it carefully and point out any defects or impracticable provisions that he may find. His answer, which is given in full below, is enlightening:

Office of
Commissioner of Street Cleaning,
New York City, August 25, 1913.
Mr. Gustavus A. Weber, Secretary,
Society for the Betterment, Etc.,

Richmond, Va.: Dear Sir,—I am in receipt of your favor of the 23d instant, inclosing a copy of an ordinance covering the matters of street cleaning and waste collection and dispusal. I am specific section and dispusal. lection and disposal. I am sending you under separate cover a copy of ordinances of this city along these lines. note that in your ordinance you have practically covered those things that we have, and in my opinion you have considerably improved those to the considerably improved those to the considerably improved the considerable cons Allan Poe. "Thomas F. Marshall was no mean orator in his day," but it is doubtful if he ever drew a soher breath, and Poe, all through his thirty-leight years of life, indulged in protracted spells of intoxication, and at Next t' a patient husband ther' haint nothin' that makes a naggin' wife as the last, after being picked up on the streets of Baltimore, after a night of Huerta might as well be a Vice-President of the baltimore, after a high to dent if he baltimore is the last, after being picked up on the streets of Baltimore, after a night of Huerta might as well be a Vice-President if he baltimore, after a high to dent if he baltimore is the vice-president in the last and the last after being picked up on the subject, but if I were some that I can give you to help you on this subject, but if I were your Superintendent of Street Cleaning is should feel that the matters considered in the last and the dent if he haint goin' t' be recognized, pital, where he died. Yet this man able to perform that work properly.

upon the people, and that he conside his opinion, I should have included in my list of "literary celebrities," because they were "great orators and debaters," notably Patrick Henry and Henry Clay. Now, I was not discussing orators and debaters, but literary men, writers of history, biography, poetry, philosophy, most of whom could not the Floss," which impressed deeply on the people, and the provision practicable. The ordinance in force in the city of New York to which Mr. Very refers, was enacted and Bulwer. She is a glory to her seven years ago, and contains nearly seven years ago, and contains nearly the provisions of the Unitary of New York to which Mr. Very refers, was enacted to which Mr. Very refers

visions of the proposed ordinance, it may be said that when this measure was before the Ordinance Committee, Mr. Cohen, the Superintendent of Street

### FARMERS' CLUB MEETS. Funds Raised to Secure Services, Q

Thornton-Rateliffe. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Lynchburg, Va., August 31.—Miss Nannie Elizabeth Hexley Rateliffe, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ratcliffe, of this city, was mar-ried several days ago at Petersburg to John Thornton, of Richmond, the ceremony taking place at the home of Rev. N. C. Gregory, the officiating minister. N. C. Gregory, the officiating minister. After a trip to Washington they will live in Richmond, where Mr. Thornton is engaged in business.

Walks Thirty Miles to See Circus. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Harrisonburg, Va., August 31.—Ber-lin Matheny, twelve years old, walked thirty miles from his home in Pendleton County to see the circus in Har-rizonburg this week. The lad crossed the Alleghanies on his trip. It was his first circus, and he was well repaid for his trip. He left home at sunrise, arriving in town just before dark, had that the sights.

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